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October 1, 2002Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated April 1, 2002 in the above-identified patent application. With the extension, a response is due on or before October 1, 2002. A check in the amount of \$460.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), for a small entity is enclosed herewith.

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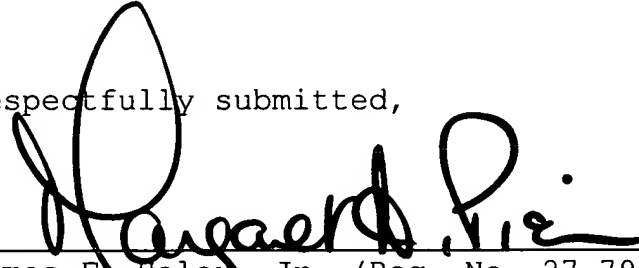
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The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Margaret A. Pierri". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "M".

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